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COUNTRY Soviet Zone of Germany

REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Strausberg Airfield

EVALUATION [REDACTED] 25X1X

PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED] 25X1A

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 3 October 1950

REFERENCES [REDACTED] 25X1A

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REMARKS

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1. On 22 August 1950 from 45 to 50 twin-engine aircraft with double rudder assemblies and in-line engines were parked at the Strausberg (N 53/V 15) airfield. About half of them had one cockpit, the rest had two cockpits. The nose was not of plexiglass. \* A low-wing monoplane with two radial engines and the cockpit in a step on top of the nose, presumably a DC-3 was parked on the northwestern edge of the field not far from the hangar. None of the planes had special markings. Their upper parts were painted green, the lower parts light blue.
2. At 4:30 p.m. the ground personnel removed the tarpaulins from all planes, started their engines, let them run a short time, stopped them and re-covered them with the tarpaulins. A wrecked plane with double rudder assembly was on the eastern edge of the field. Two holes, about the size of a fist, were in the leading edges of the wings on either side of the engines. No further details could be observed.
3. Soldiers wearing blue and red-bordered black epaulets were seen in the 25X1B barracks buildings at the field. [REDACTED] Construction work was being done on the approach road from the town to the field. No radio station or radar set was seen. An ammunition dump composed of two buildings and two large ammunition piles was about 400 meters east of the field. Many motor vehicle [REDACTED]

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- \* [REDACTED] Comment. A change in the aircraft strength at the airfield was not observed although a few more PE-2s or PE-3s were observed than on 10 August 1950 when the last observation was made. [REDACTED] One bomber regiment is still believed to be at the field. The presence of two versions of PE-2 or PE-3 planes with different cockpits has been repeatedly reported. No information has been received indicating that the two aircraft types are used for different purposes. The statement that the nose is not of plexiglass indicates that at least some planes are PE-3s.
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- \*\* [REDACTED] Comment. The ammunition dump was previously [REDACTED]
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